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Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 4, please delete lines 1-7 (the first full paragraph) as it duplicates a prior paragraph.

On page 4, please delete "5,536,471" in line 23 and substitute "5,721,141" therefor.

A clean form page 4 accompanies this amendment as does a marked up version of line 23.

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